

INFORMATION NOTICE

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: ETPL APPROVAL OF BPPVE INSTITUTIONS

This information notice addresses the closure of the Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education (BPPVE/Bureau), the interim process established by the passage of Assembly Bill 1525, enacted on July 12, 2007, and the effect of this change on California's Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL).

The Bureau was responsible for approving California's private post-secondary degree-granting, non-degree granting and vocational institutions in compliance with the Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education Reform Act of 1989 (Act). Entities certified by the Bureau qualify for inclusion on the ETPL. The Act officially sunset on July 1, 2007, and subsequently the Bureau ceased operations.

On July 12, 2007, the Governor signed into law, Assembly Bill 1525, which provides educational institutions having previously received valid approval, an opportunity to enter into voluntary agreements with the Department of Consumer Affairs (Director). This agreement states an institution's intent to continue operating in compliance with California statutes, rules and regulations from July 1, 2007, to January 31, 2008. The agreement also serves as an instrument for institutions to comply with federal statutes, rules and regulations during that period of time. Pending legislation (Senate Bill 45) would extend the life of these voluntary agreements through December 31, 2008. In addition, Senate Bill 823 would recast, revise and reenact provisions of the Act, renaming it the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2007. This bill has been held in the Assembly and may be considered further in January when the Legislature reconvenes.

The closure of the Bureau will not affect Local Workforce Investment Board (LWIB) operations for approving training providers. Institutions approved by the Bureau for operation prior to its closure are considered qualified for inclusion on the ETPL. During the interim period between the Bureau's closure and the establishment of a successor authority, LWIBs may continue to receive applications from institutions requesting inclusion on the ETPL that had not received Bureau authorization to operate previously. The LWIBs should continue to follow the policy and procedures prescribed in Workforce Investment Act Directive [WIAD06-15](#) for determining a provider's initial eligibility for inclusion on the statewide ETPL.

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For additional information and updates on pending legislation, visit the Bureau's Web site at www.bppve.ca.gov.

If you have any questions, please direct e-mail correspondence to the Workforce Services Division performance management mailbox at mngePerf@edd.ca.gov or contact your [Regional Advisor](#) at (916) 654-7799.

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